

Fountain City Presbyterian Church

Faithfully Listening, Boldly Following

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Serving Today

Greeters: Nancy Noel, David Noel

Ushers: Denna Grogan, Don Grogan, Mike Lamb, Dana Lamb

Liturgist: Meghan Tidwell

Music: FCPC Choral Ensemble

Tech Team: Mac Holland, April Lamb, Thomas Rader, Brett Miller

Faithful Friends (Children's Worship): Susan Espiritu, April Lamb

Nursery: Laurismar Wrinkle, Laura Wrinkle

Announcements

With Tammy's last day of service coming up on March 26th, we're encouraging appreciation cards be sent to her address at 1423 S. Courtney Oak Lane, Knoxville, TN 37938 or dropped by the office before March 26th. Tammy has worked nearly 18 years in our office, so please express your gratitude!

Annual Community Egg Hunt and Lunch, Mark your calendars for March 24th immediately following the Palm Sunday Worship Service.

Family, Faith, Food – F3, our new Wednesday Evening Program! We will gather each Wednesday from March 20th through April 24th from 6:00pm to 7:45pm for dinner and a lesson. More information to come so, stay tuned!

Holy Week, March 24th – March 31st

- **Palm Sunday**, March 24th – Palm Sunday Service, 10:30am and Community Easter Egg

Hunt and lunch after worship

- **Maundy Thursday**, March 28th – Service with Communion, 7:00pm

- **Good Friday**, March 29th – Worship Service, 7:00pm

- **Easter Sunrise Service**, March 31st – Worship and Breakfast at the Robertson's, 7:00am.

Please bring a chair or blanket.

- **Easter Sunday**, March 31st – Worship Service, 10:30am

Disciple Class returns Monday, April 1st for a 12 week study of New Testament. There will be two classes each Monday, 10:30am-12pm & 6:30-8pm, come to the time that works best for you each week. There is a \$20 fee for books. This is a deep scripture driven class taught by Carl Snow, come join the discussion.

Family Promise families will be staying at FCPC in the evenings Sunday afternoon April 28 to Sunday morning on May 5. You can view a complete list of available ways to serve and sign up by scanning the QR code.



Fifth Sunday in Lent

March 17, 2024

Prelude

Word of Welcome

Rev. Dr. Carl Grosse

Call to Worship (from Isaiah 26:12-13)

Meghan Tidwell

Leader: O LORD, You will ordain peace for us

All: Because all we have done has actually been Your doing

Leader: O LORD our God, other masters besides You have ruled over us

All: But we will profess Your Name alone!

****Hymn #104 O Worship the King (verses 1, 2, 4)***

O worship the King all-glorious above, and gratefully sing His wonderful love:
our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days, pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.

O tell of his might and sing of his grace, whose robe is the light, whose canopy space.
His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form, and dark is His path on the wings of the storm.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail, in Thee do we trust, nor find Thee to fail.
Thy mercies, how tender, how firm to the end, our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!

Ritual of Friendship

Meghan Tidwell

*Members and Guests – Please sign and pass the friendship register
located on the center aisle under the pew in front*

Call to Confession

Meghan Tidwell

Leader: Because the steadfast love of the LORD never fails, let us turn to our God and confess our sins.

Prayer of Confession

Meghan Tidwell

All: Dear Heavenly Father, there aren't many people down here we can really confide in, who could handle the things that weigh on our souls and challenge our thoughts. In public, we can say there's wrong we have done, and right we should have done but didn't. Each of us has plenty we could put in those two buckets, and You know all about it. Trusting in Your piercing Spirit to probe the places no one else knows, and counting on Your mercy to forgive and help us, we confess our sins to You in Jesus' Name, AMEN.

(Time for Silent Confession)

Assurance of Forgiveness and Peace

Meghan Tidwell

Leader: This is love – not that we loved God but that God loved us and sent His Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins.

***Gloria Patri**

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Ghost,
As it was in the beginning,
is now and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen. Amen.*

***Passing the Peace**

Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all

All: And also with you

Anthem *For Love He Gave*

God So loved the World. God so love the world
that He gave his only begotten Son,
That who so believeth, believeth in Him,
should not perish, should not perish but have everlasting life.

I hear the Savior say: Thy strength indeed is small.
Child of weakness, watch and pray; Find in me Thine all in all.
Jesus paid it all; All to him I owe.

Sin had left a crimson stain; He washed it white as snow.

For nothing good have I whereby Thy grace to claim.
I'll wash my garments white in the blood of Calvary's Lamb.

And when before the throne I stand in Him complete.
Jesus died my soul to save. My lips shall still repeat.

Yes Jesus paid it all; All to him I owe.
Sin had left a crimson stain; He washed it white as snow.
God so loved the world, God so loved the world, God so loved the world.

Children are dismissed at this time for Faithful Friends *(Children's Worship)*
Children age 5 through 8th grade

Prayer of Illumination

Rev. Dr. Carl Grosse

Scripture Reading *Matthew 22:15-22*

Rev. Dr. Carl Grosse

Sermon *Death and Taxes*

Rev. Dr. Carl Grosse

***Hymn #596 I surrender All** *(verses 1, 3, 4)*

All to Jesus I surrender, All to Him I freely give;
I will ever love and trust Him, In His presence daily live.

Refrain:

I surrender all, I surrender all; All to Thee, my blessed Savior,
I surrender all.

All to Jesus I surrender, Make me, Savior, wholly Thine;
May Thy Holy Spirit fill me, May I know Thy pow'r divine. [Refrain]

All to Jesus I surrender, Lord, I give myself to Thee;
Fill me with Thy love and power, Let Thy blessing fall on me. [Refrain]

Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Rev. Dr. Carl Grosse

All: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen

Call for Offering

Meghan Tidwell

Leader: Let's support this church and worship God with our tithes and offerings.

Offertory

***Doxology**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts
Praise Father Son and Holy Ghost**

***Prayer of Dedication**

Rev. Dr. Carl Grosse

***Hymn #435 God of Grace and God of Glory** *(verses 1, 3, 4)*

God of grace and God of glory, on your people pour your pow'r;
crown Thy ancient Church's story, bring its bud to glorious flow'r.

Grant us wisdom, grant us courage for the facing of this hour,
for the facing of this hour.

Cure Thy children's warring madness; bend our pride to your control;
shame our wanton, selfish gladness, rich in things and poor in soul.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage lest we miss your kingdom's goal,
lest we miss your kingdom's goal.

Set our feet on lofty places; gird our lives that they may be
armored with all Christlike graces, In the fight to set men free.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, that we fail not man nor thee,
that we fail not man nor thee!

***Charge and Benediction**

Rev. Dr. Carl Grosse

***Congregational Benediction**

**Make us one, Lord, make us one;
Holy Spirit, make us one.
Let your love flow so the world will know
we are one in you**

Postlude